



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866



St. John Bosco, Sardis
(founded 1863) dedicated 1976



St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg
founded 1841

Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

The Monroe County Catholic Churches

www.monroecountycatholic.org

334 South Main Street Woodsfield, Ohio 43793-1027

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October 21, 2018

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Is 53:10–11

Heb 4:14–16

Mk 10:35–45 or Mk 10:42-45

Parish Registration: *New Parishioners* are always welcome! To join our parish family Please contact the parish office (740-472-0187) to register.

Infant Baptism: contact the parish office (740-472-0187) to schedule.

Confessions: at Woodsfield: Sat. 4:15pm to 4:45pm.;
Sun 7:45am to 8:15am. and by appointment.

Weddings: No date may be reserved for a wedding until the couple meet with the priest.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, (RCIA): RCIA is an adult preparation for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Mr. Joseph Long, coordinator.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Infirm: call 740-472-0187. Hospitals and Care facilities **regularly do not notify** the parish unless specific request is made.

Catholic Woman's Club:

St. Sylvester: Diane Burkhart 740-391-0391;

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman 740-757-2481 and/or Eileen Miller 740-472-0279

St. Joseph of Monroe County Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus will meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at St. Sylvester Church, following 6:30pm Mass. Grand Knight Mr. Sam Schumacher. Check us out on Facebook

Parish Prayer Chain: please call: Jackie Kirkland 740-472-0338.

Purgatorial Society founded in the 1780's to pray for those holy souls in Purgatory. To join or for more information contact the Jackie Kirkland at 740-472-0338.

Parish School of Religion (PSR aka. CCD) The Parish Religion Classes for children (not enrolled in a Catholic School) in grades 1 through 8.

St. Sylvester: Jill Schumacher 740-472-5483

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman 740-757-2481

Call to register your children.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Sylvester Central Elementary: (PK-8) 119 Wayne Street, Woodsfield, Ohio. Mrs. Robyn Guiler, principal. 740-472-0321

St. John Central High School, 3625 Guernsey Street, Bellaire, Ohio. Mr. Jarrett T. Kuhns, principal, 740-676-4932 www.stjohncentralhs.org

Diocesan Vocation Director Fr. Michael Gossett: mgossett@diosteub.org

Cub Scout Pack 17, Pack Leader is Melissa Smithberger (740) 213-4037. (orvc-bsa.org)

Boy Scout Troop 17 Scout Master: Mr. Tim Dolan -(740)-213-7365

Catholic Cemetery Contacts:

St. Sylvester Woodsfield: Donald & Rita Biedenbach 740-472-1849

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg & Immaculate Conception, Ozark; Jason Weiss or St. Sylvester Parish Office 740-472-0187

St. Joseph & Chapel Hill, Burkhart Station: Russell Betts 740-567-3286

St. Patrick's, New Matamoras: Parish office: 740-472-0187

SOMA: Switzerland of Ohio Ministerial Action: Our representative is Diane Burkhart.

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Family and Social Concerns & Referral (i.e. Catholic Charities), 1-800-339-7890.

Retrouvaille (help for troubled marriages), 740-749-3335

Diocesan Child Protection and reporting of abuse Father James M Dunfee, Vicar General of the Diocese of Steubenville, 1-740-282-3631 or e-mail jdunfee@diosteub.org.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday October 20th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00 pm
 +Marie & James Kirkland by their daughters

Sunday October 21th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 am
 +George Mehler by Kathleen, Sharon & Eric

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 am
 +Ruth Goodyear by Lois Stephen

St. John Bosco Mission, Sardis 12:30 pm
 +Tim Fehn by Robyn Cecil Family

Monday October 22nd
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30am
 +Nick Masciarli by Tim Sikora

Tuesday October 23rd
St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00am
 +Jennie Lynn Baker LaFollette by Cathy Paulus

Wednesday October 24th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30am
 +Marlene Moose by her herd

Thursday October 25th
St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00am
 +Doug Chappell by Carl Carpenter Fam

Friday October 26th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30am
 +Theresa Bell by Catherine Paulus

Saturday October 27th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30am
 Living & Deceased of our parishes

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday October 27th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00pm
 + George Mehler by Catherine Paulus

Sunday October 28th
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30am
 John & Mary Ann Yontz (Wedding Anniversary)
 by Mandy

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30am
 Lois Stephen (health) by Tom Stephen family

St. John Bosco, Sardis 12:30pm
 + Ella Richter by Connie & Larry Richter

World Mission Sunday is the weekend of October 20th and 21st. We are all called to participate in the Church's mandate to proclaim the Gospel to all peoples, but most importantly to the poor, the little ones and the sick, those who are often looked down upon or forgotten, those who cannot repay us. Please give generously.

*"In the Tabernacle there is the greatest treasure that can be found either in Heaven or upon Earth:
 The Master of the World!" — St. John Bosco*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Sylvester's Church on **Wednesday** from
 After the 8:30am Mass until Noon and 5:00pm to 6:30pm
All are invited to stop in to make a visit with the Lord.

If you or someone you know may be looking to return to the practice of their Catholic faith, we encourage them to pray with us. You may also look www.CatholicComeHome.org for inspiration and guidance.

Sick or hospitalized? If you are sick or undergoing treatment /are in the hospital or nursing home, please contact Father. We would like to visit you and keep you in our thoughts and prayers—we often don't get the message through the grapevine until its too late.

For Reflection: *What aspect of the person of Jesus Christ most attracts you? What is it about you that attracts Jesus? Ask him.*

A Word From Pope Francis: *We are not called to serve merely in order to receive a reward, but rather to imitate God, who made himself a servant for our love. Nor are we called to serve only now and again, but to live in serving. Service is thus a way of life; indeed it recapitulates the entire Christian way of life. — Homily, October 2, 2016*

Hurricane Florence and Michael Appeal will be the weekend of October 28, 2018. Our country known two devastating hurricanes. The destruction is staggering and the needs now and in the future are great. The U.S. Bishops have that collections be taken up across the country to help those most in need of help. Your generosity, which is always evidence during difficult times.

Are you or someone you know considering the Catholic Faith? Would you like to learn more about that the Catholic faith is all about? If so please contact Fr. David at the parish at (740-472-0187).

This Week

Sunday

St. Sylvester Central Bingo
 at Brown Community Center
 Doors open at 5:00pm
 Bingo begins at 6:30pm

Tuesday

St. Sylvester Central Bingo
 at Brown Community Center
 Doors open at 5:00pm
 Bingo begins at 6:30pm

Wednesday

Eucharistic Adoration
 9am to Noon
 5pm to 6:30pm

Friday

SSC Mass

Sunday

St. Sylvester Central Bingo
 at Brown Community Center
 Doors open at 5:00pm
 Bingo begins at 6:30pm



Your Sacrificial Offering
 for
 October 13/14, 2017

St. John Bosco Mission
 Adult Collection \$ 87.00
 Loose Collection \$ 102.00
 Capital fund \$ 5.00

St. John the Baptist
 Adult Collection \$ 1,131.00
 Loose \$ 18.00
 School Collection \$ 198.00

St. Sylvester
 Adult Collection \$ 2,427.00
 Loose Collection \$ 135.00
 School Collection \$ 244.00

*Thank you
 for your generous financial
 support of our parishes and
 Catholic school.*

Pictorial Directory, many hair styles changed, weight gain and loss and parishioners come and go; its time to put together a new pictorial directory. We are in need of individuals from each of the parishes to help coordinate the process. Each parishioner or family will be invited to have their picture taken, free of charge (you may purchase pictures if you desire) and will your family will receive a free directory when completed. If willing to assist with this process, contact the parish office.

In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Sr. Joanna Burkhart
Sr. Evelyn Ann Schumacher
Msgr. Joseph G Mehler
Fr. Joseph Finan
Walter & Alma Heinz
Imelda D Scott
Monica Long
Danny Betts
Vernon Butler
Brandon Butler
Michael & Bertha Burkhart
Paul & Barbara Conner
Katy & Paul Madison
Francis & Freda Paulus
Mary & Hilda Paulus
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William H Bolon
Hilda & Herman Burkhart
Robert M Miller Sr.
James Scott
Meri C Welsh

Traveling? Check-out discovermass.com or masstimes.org for Mass times and directions.

[Jesus said,] “For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

This work is totally Christ-centered, as is our Scripture passage. He is the dominant subject placed dramatically in the center of Correggio’s composition, seated on a throne of clouds. His kingdom is not of the world, and neither are his priorities. “Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all” (Mark 10:44).

Jesus is strongly self-confident in his pose, yet sweet and inviting in his facial features. He is a king and a friend. His upper body is set, but his lower body is actively moving forward with his leg stepping toward us. He sits to receive and rule but is willing to step down and wash the soiled feet of his disciples.

It’s good to pause and reflect on this Jesus who calls us to follow him. As a man, he preached like no one before or since. Two millennia later we are still talking about him. He possessed such power and dignity that soldiers sent to arrest him wouldn’t dare lay hands on him. Kings (Herod), politicians (Pilate), churchmen (Pharisees), lawyers (scribes), civil servants (tax collectors), simple laborers (apostles), soldiers (at the cross), hardened sinners (prostitutes), and the poor were overcome by his compassion, authority, and character. Religious and pagans, men and women, children and the elderly—all were enraptured by his purpose and passion.

This amazing figure is the one who calls you and loves you! Spend time contemplating the beauty and moral integrity of this Jesus and give thanks that he has set his eyes and heart on you.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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When I look at the crucifix or think about Jesus, I often get impure thoughts about Christ. These thoughts come at the most unlikely times, and I don’t want them. Is this a serious sin?

You’re not the only one with these obsessive thoughts. It’s a rather common malady. There seems to be a certain perversity in the imagination of some people that makes their thoughts return repeatedly to what they fear and dread. Impure thoughts about Jesus, saints, priests, religious, statues, or the crucifix—God knows about these. God sees what’s happening and how this troubles you. This doesn’t shock or offend God.

In addition to mentioning this during the sacrament of reconciliation, one approach is to talk about these thoughts to God in your own words. For instance, “Dear Lord, you see into my heart, my mind, and my imagination. You know how obsessed I get with these terrible thoughts, how they keep returning, and how guilty they make me feel. But I don’t know how to make them stay away. I have a crazy, mixed-up imagination.”

Or maybe in your prayers, a bit of humor will help. “Lord, here is your weirdo child again. Those screwed-up thoughts are plaguing me once more. You know I don’t want to consent to anything sinful, so I put my weirdo self into your hands.”

If you deal with these thoughts as if they’re too terrible to discuss with God, they’ll plague you indefinitely. But if you can learn to pray and talk honestly about them to God, you’ll learn to see them in perspective. They’re not horrendous, and you’ll see these mountains as the molehills they really are.

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Tuesday Bingo

October 23
Monica Habig
Anna Lang
Arron Brown/
Morgan Ramage
Jan/Rosalee Swallow
Heather Taylor
Kathleen Thomas
Richard Schenk

October 30
Monica "Bingo" Habig
Joella Urbank
Ruthie Valkovic
Jason/Brandi Weiss
Lindee/Josh Wilson
Amanda Schumacher

November 6
Monica "bingo" Habig
Sara Yonak
Shelly/Kendra Young
Tiffany/Sean Zeakes
Richard Shenk

November 13
Monica Habig
Jess Amos
Deborah Blackstone
Randy/Michelle
Christman
Crystal Cunningham
Sam Schumacher

Sunday Bingo

Oct 21
Missy Knowlton
Amanda Schumacher
Adam Chambers
Dugan/Cassie
Demchak
Chad/Marissa Cole
Jeff Dean

Oct. 28
Amanda Schumacher
Randall Sefert
Nicole Eastham
John/Jessica Ischy
Chrissy/Ryan ferguson
Justin/Abby Friday

November 4
Amanda Schumacher
Sam Schumacher
Tyler/Tiffany
Schumacher
Matt/Nicole McGuire
Jess Knowlton
Nick/Michaela Murdy

November 11
Monica "Bingo" Habig
Richard Schenk
Matt Vinskovich
Adrey Lydick
Nate/Rachel Arden
Adrienne Shelton

November 25
Amanda Schumacher
Randall Sefert
Keisha West
David/Arika Barnhardt
Daniella Beaver
Becky Bolon

Kitchen

Oct 21
Angie Hooper
Cathy Paulus

Oct 23
Chris Hoff
Penny Elliott

Oct 28
Kathy Blatt
Diane Burkhardt

Oct 30
Rita Biedenbach
Barbara
Schumacher
(Dan)

Bingo—is a vital fund raiser for our school. It is important that those scheduled show-up or get a responsible replacement.

Redskin Ready Program students K-4 may participate in an after-school program that includes tutoring and instruction. Held at Woodsfield Elementary from after school until 5:45pm Monday–Thursday.

The **St. Sylvester Central Christmas Bazaar** is Sunday, November 11th.

No School on Monday, November 12th. Teachers will have an in-service that day.

All Souls Day Luminaries to benefit the Ski Club, Luminaries will be set up at the Church for November 1st & 2nd; cost \$5 per bag. Deadline October 29th. Contact school office.

St. Sylvester Central School News

St. Sylvester Central Script Program is an excellent way to support Catholic Education and St. Sylvester Central without costing you money out of your pocket. The pre-determined percentage we receive can be directed to be applied to a student's tuition or just given to the school.

Reisbeck's Gift Cards—are available at the school office. The school received 5% from every card that we sell. It's a great way to support our school and you may direct that the money earned from your purchase to be applied to a student's tuition.

Scripture Reading of the Week

Sunday
OCTOBER 21
*Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Is 53:10–11
Heb 4:14–16
Mk 10:35–45

Monday
OCTOBER 22
Weekday
Eph 2:1–10
Lk 12:13–21

Tuesday
OCTOBER 23
Weekday
Eph 2:12–22
Lk 12:35–38

Wednesday
OCTOBER 24
Weekday
Eph 3:2–12
Lk 12:39–48

Thursday
OCTOBER 25
Weekday
Eph 3:14–21
Lk 12:49–53

Friday
OCTOBER 26
Weekday
Eph 4:1–6
Lk 12:54–59

Saturday
OCTOBER 27
Weekday
Eph 4:7–16
Lk 13:1–9

Sunday
OCTOBER 28
*Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
Jer 31:7–9
Heb 5:1–6
Mk 10:46–52



St. Joseph of Monroe County, Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus Samuel Schumacher, Grand Knight

Leading by Example—Our council seeks to develop a culture of charity, unity, and fraternity in faithful service to the Church and community.
New members are welcome to join us!

When we gather as Knights, we accomplish great things. Each task we undertake makes a difference in the lives of everyone involved. It answers people's prayers. It changes us and those we encounter, forever.

Next Meeting — Wednesday, November 7th
Mass at 6:30pm meeting at 7pm at St. Sylvester Church.

Keeping Christ in Christmas will again be a project for our council with the sale of Religious Christmas Cards, etc.

Mr. Lance LaFollette was unanimous elected to a lifetime appointment as Financial Secretary.
Congratulations Lance!

Teresa of Avila died 1582 at Alba. A Spanish mystic who, with St. John of the Cross founded the reformed (Discalced) Carmelite friars and nuns, for which she had to endure great trials; authored *Way of Perfection*, *Interior Chastle*, and the autobiography; the first woman declared "Doctor of the Church" (1970); patron of Spain.

Margaret Mary died 17 October 1690 at the age of forty-three. A French Visitandine mystic who promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a feast which helped free the Church from the spirit of Jansenism. She also promoted first Friday devotion.

During November, we are called in a special way to remember "our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection". Submit the names of your beloved dead in an envelop to be placed on the altar for the month of November. (you may place the envelop in the collection marked "All Souls")

